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In re application of: Ralph T. Kubo et al.

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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME UNDER

37 CFR §1.136(a)

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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, dated March 17, 1998 for two months, from May 17, 1998 to July 17, 1998. An appropriate response to the Notice in the form of a Transmittal Letter - Response to Notice of Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge \$400, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17, to the Deposit Account No.

20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above Deposit Account. This Petition is submitted in triplicate.

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